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KAZAKH, KIRGIZ, AND GEORGIAN INDUSTRIES EXPAND

KAZAKH INDUSTRY AND GRADE REPORT GROWTH -- Kazakhatana aya Prevda, No 57

At the Fourth Congress KP(h) Kazakh SSR, held 25 February-1 March 1949, it was reported that the number of individual enterprises of Kazakh industry increased by 3,782 units between 1940 and 1949. The number of workers in industry increased by 44 percent, gross production of industry almost doubled, and capital funds of Kazakh industry increased 2.7 times.

The number of radio broadcasting and receiving units increased 23 percent, the number of radio receiving sets increased 03 percent, and 2,680 kilometers of railroad were built. Industrial production was 66 percent of Kazakh gross production in 1945.

Kazakhatanskaya Pravda, No 37, 23 Feb 49

The number of trade enterprises in the Kazakh SSR was increased by 717 new stores and 350 stalls during 1948. This includes 90 specialty stores for the sale of shoes, dishes and household ware, ready-made clothing, vegetables, meat and fish, etc.

During 1949, 708 new stores and 605 stands will be opened. Seven specialty stores will be opened in Alma-Ata, 6 in Karaganda, 5 in Semipelatinsk, and 30 in other cities.

The trade enterprises will be supplied with refrigerators and a large amount of other equipment.

KIRGIZ IMDUSTRY PROCEESSES -- Sovetekaya Kirgiziya, No 27, 11 Feb 49

The chief types of industrial production in Kirgiz SSR increased in 1948 over 1945 as follows: coal, 1.6 times; horse-drawn rakes, 19.7

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times; reaping machines, 3.6 times; augar, 3.9 times; cotton fiber, 2 times; silk fabric, 3.5 times; leather shoes, 1.8 times; meat, 1.6 times; animal oil, 2.2 times.

Gross production for the entire industry of the Republic was fulfilled 103.4 percent for the first 3 years of the Five-Year Plan. In 1948 gross production rose 43.4 percent over 1945 and 95 percent over 1940

The 1948 production plan was fulfilled in 10-11 months by 116 large enterprises.

KUTAISI INDUSTRY CONTINUES TO EXPAND -- Zarya Vostoka, No 38, 24 Feb 49

Kutaisi, one of the oldest cities in Georgia, has become the second largest industrial center in the Georgian SSR. Industrial production in 1948 exceeded the 1913 volume 450 times.

During the period of the five-year plans, a number of large factories and plants were built in Kutaisi, such as the Rion GES, a silk combine, a canned food plant, sewing and cloth factories, a leather and shoe combine, and other enterprises.

Among the enterprises under construction at this time, the automobile plant is the largest. It will produce ZIS-150 trucks. Construction of the "Gornyak" Plant is nearing completion. This plant will produce machinery and tools for Georgian coal mines.

City improvements in recent years include: a water supply, a sever system, and electric power network; the streets have been covered with asphalt. Construction of a new water pipe will soon to completed, and the city will be supplied with pure drinking water in 1949.

Commodity turnover of the city is growing continuously and reached 300 million rubles in 1948.

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